

**Village of Lovington
Regular Board Meeting
May 05, 2014**

Call to order: President Jim Minor called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Since the pledge was led in the Appropriations Meeting it wasn't recited again.

Roll Call found the following trustees to be present: Doug Smith, Roger Walker, Dennis Garmon, Jim McMahan and Barry Morgan. President Jim Minor, Clerk Alma Fair and Treasurer Katie Stanley were also present. Absent: Pam Anklam

Guests present were: Linda Alumbaugh, Sara Gale, Florence Hallford, Julie Kinert, Brittany Rader and Debbie Howell.

1. Linda Alumbaugh representing Sparrows Unlimited, Inc. & Lovington American Legion families – request to hold food drive, State Street & Broadway on Saturday, May 31, 2014 from 9:00 am – 11:30 am. She also was representing the American Legion Axillary requesting having their Poppy day on May 10th 9-11:30

A **Motion** was made by Walker and seconded by McMahan to allow Sparrows Unlimited, Inc. & Lovington American Legion families to hold a food drive, State Street & Broadway on Saturday, May 31, 2014 from 9:00 am – 11:30 am, as well as the American Legion Axillary to have their Poppy day on May 10th from 9:00 am – 11:30 am.

YEA: Smith, Walker, Garmon

Abstain: Morgan

Present: McMahan

Absent: Pam Anklam

MOTION CARRIED.

1. **Julie Kinert – Miss Lovington Pageant – request for scholarship money for this year.**

Mrs. Kinert introduced the current Miss Lovington - Brittany Rader. Miss Rader plans to attend Lakeland College this fall. Rader told the board she really appreciated receiving the scholarship. Kinert would like to have \$500 for the scholarship – She remembers that last year we told her maybe we could do the full amount this year. Last year we donated \$250.00

A **Motion** was made by McMahan and seconded by Walker to donate \$500 to the Miss Lovington scholarship.

YEA: Walker, Garmon, McMahan, Morgan, Smith

Absent: Pam Anklam

MOTION CARRIED.

2. **Debbie Howell and Colleen Leischner from Casey's regarding alcohol sales hours and days**

Ms Howell spoke – Casey's would like to have alcohol sales on Sunday from noon to midnight. They currently have a Class B license which is for package alcohol. Boating traffic comes in on Sunday and request to purchase alcohol and must be told they can't sell alcohol on Sundays. Morgan noted that our ordinance currently states no alcohol sell on Sundays. Morgan stated that we can amend ordinance to allow Class B license only to sell alcohol on Sundays. All taverns have Class A license. If the ordinance is amended then it would need to be posted for so many days before it can be voted on. Minor appointed Morgan to look into the law regarding amending an

ordinance. The majority of the board was okay with it. The board will plan to have a special meeting in a week or so regarding other matters and will be able to put that on the agenda then. Ms Howell then stated that Lovington's Casey's are on the list to be remodeled within the year.

From the guest list those noted as requesting to speak and were not on the agenda were:

Sara Gale – Mrs. Gale asked if anything had been done regarding the horseshoe pit in the park? Garmon responded that he has downloaded plans and hopes to have things started in the next couple of months.

New Business

1. Discussion and action to approve employee raises

Walker would like to change Christian Swisher to - \$16.50/hour

Smith - Jeremy Doggett to \$22.25/hour

Garmon - Sue Gordon - \$13.00/hour

Jay Clark – will be discussed at the next meeting when Anklam is able to attend.

A **Motion** was made by Garmon and seconded by Smith to approve employee raises as presented. (see above).

YEA: Garmon, McMahan, Morgan, Smith, Walker

Absent: Anklam

MOTION CARRIED.

2. Discussion and action to approve 2014 Motor Fuel Fund budget.

A **Motion** was made by Smith and seconded by Morgan to approve the 2014 Motor Fuel Fund budget as presented for \$45,000.00.

YEA: McMahan Morgan, Smith, Walker, Garmon

Absent: Anklam

MOTION CARRIED.

3. Discussion and action on Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement (LEMAA).

A **Motion** was made by Morgan and seconded by McMahan to approve the Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement (LEMAA). Resolution No. R-050514

YEA: Morgan, Smith, Walker, Garmon, McMahan

Absent: Anklam

MOTION CARRIED.

Old Business

None:

Minutes and action of Village Clerk – by Alma Fair

1. Discussion and action on April 2014 invoices

A **Motion** was made by Morgan and seconded by McMahan to accept the April 2014 invoices as presented.

YEA: Smith, Walker, Garmon, McMahan, Morgan

Absent: Anklam

MOTION CARRIED.

2. Discussion and action on April 7, 2014 Regular Board meeting minutes.

A **Motion** was made by Morgan and seconded by Walker to approve the April 7, 2014 Regular Board meeting as presented.

YEA: Walker, Garmon, McMahan, Morgan, Smith

Absent: Anklam

MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report – by Treasurer Katie Stanley

1. Discussion and action on April 2014 Treasurer's reports.

Stanley would like to call Ed Horton?? to help her with the end of the year reports and also have him to help her to add accounts. In a next couple of weeks she plans to get the loans in a schedule so that the board will be able to see what it owed and when they will be paid off.

A **Motion** was made by Morgan and seconded by Walker to accept the April 2014 treasurer's report as presented.

YEA: Garmon, McMahan, Morgan, Smith, Walker

Absent: Anklam

MOTION CARRIED.

Department Reports

Presidents Report – by Jim Minor

1. We received the quit claim deed from IDNR. Clerk Fair will take it to the courthouse tomorrow to file it.

Water and Sewer Report – by Jim McMahan

Nothing to report

Parks and Special Projects –by Dennis Garmon

1. Park is being used with the warm weather.
2. Some fights have been reported around the skate park. Police Chief Swisher talked to him about a security system for the park and the skate park. He will be looking into it. With a line of sight from the Village Hall to the Park we will be able to put the security system here instead of at the park where it isn't in controlled environment.
3. Jeremy has dug the parking area on south side of park and needs more rock; the cost would be \$300-\$400.
4. The American Legion plans to have a Memorial at the park on May 25th at noon.

Police – by Barry Morgan in Pam Anklam's absence.

1. Discussion and action the Animal Citation Fees

The current ordinance is as follows:

3-4-1 PENALTY FOR VIOLATION.

(A) Any owner or keeper of a dog found violating any provision of this Chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine as follows:

- (1) For a first offense, the fine shall be the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).
- (2) For a second offense, the fine shall be the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).
- (3) For a third offense, and all subsequent offenses, the fine shall be the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).

Anklam would like to reduce to \$50, \$75, \$100 - can't do anything tonight and Morgan will let us know after he finds out about the amending of an ordinance.

Everyone was fine with the proposal.

2. Police report for April - Reports taken – 22, Calls dispatched – 18, Calls officer initiated – 4, Vehicle Accidents – 1, Ordinance Citations Issued – 2, Warning Citations issued – 5, State Citations Issued – 1, Juvenile Cases - 4, Misdemeanor Cases – 3, Felony Cases – 1, Agency Assists – 5, Total hours – 292
3. Animal Control Report for April – Total number of calls: 9, Dog – 9, Cat – 0. Stray dog – 8 & 1 barking complaint, Feral Cat – 0, Humane Assist – 0, Bite Case – 0.

Streets and Alleys – by Doug Smith

There is nothing much to report. They have been busy dragging the alleys and other normal duties.

Buildings and Grounds – by Roger Walker

1. Town Cleanup is June 7th. It is recommended to start putting the larger items like couch, chairs on the boulevard starting the week of June 1st then the Village workers would be able to pick them up throughout the week.
2. The following bid from Roger Ray to repair the – Community building was received.

South Wall

- Remove all bricks on back side (South side) of building approximately 22' wide and 19' high.
- Dig footer and pour concrete footer reinforced with rebar.
- Lay-up south wall with concrete block (wall will have no windows).
- Keep original back door.

East Wall

- Southeast corner of back wall will be removed, footer will be poured, and block and brick will be laid to tie it in with the East brick wall.
- Nail on wire lathe.

Both Walls / Finishing

- Stucco and paint East and South wall to match East side of gun shop.
- If the interior wall gets damaged in the process, it will be repaired.
- Install gutter and downspout.
- Insulate ceiling (approximately 400 square feet)
- Clean up.

Expected completion date: August 31st, 2014

All labor and materials to complete job: \$20,000.00

- \$7,000 draw to start
- \$7,000 draw at completion of wire lathe phase
- \$6,000 draw at completion of job

Smith stated that he thinks we need to get out of owning buildings.

A **Motion** was made by Garmon and seconded by Walker to accept Roger Ray's bid for \$20,000.

YEA: McMahan, Smith, Walker, Garmon

NAY: Morgan

Absent: Anklam

MOTION CARRIED.

Insurance – by Barry Morgan

Nothing to report

Adjournment

A **Motion** was made by Morgan and seconded by McMahan to adjourn at 8:34 p.m.

YEA: Smith, Walker, Garmon, McMahan, Morgan

Absent: Anklam

MOTION CARRIED



Alma M. Fair, Village Clerk

June 9, 2014

Date Approved